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FROM AMB. SCHAUFLE

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SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: POSSIBLE SC MEETING ON ISRAELI
OPERATION (S/S 7613873)

1. PURSUANT YOUR TELEPHONE CALL TONIGHT I SUGGEST FOLLOW-
ING TELEGRAM REGARDING POSSIBLE SC MEETING ON ISRAELI
RESCUE OPERATION IN UGANDA. IO CONCURS:

ACTION: AMEMBASSY LONDON, PARIS, ROME, TOKYO, STOCKHOLM,
PANAMA, ISLAMABAD, BUCHAREST, DAR ES SALAAM

INFO: MOSCOW, PEKING, GEORGETOWN, COTONOU, TRIPOLI, USUN

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE SC MEETING ON ISRAELI RESCUE OPERATION

1. PRESS REPORTS INDICATE AMIN HAS ANNOUNCED HE WILL SEEK
URGENT SC MEETING, PRESUMABLY TO SEEK CONDEMNATION OF
ISRAEL AND POSSIBLY KENYA REGARDING ISRAELI RESCUE OPERA-
TION.

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2. IT IS APPARENT, HOWEVER, THAT GOU AIDED TERRORISTS AFTER THEIR LANDING AND IN EFFECT BECAME PARTY TO PRESSURE ON GOI AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS TO ACCEDE TO TERRORIST DEMANDS.

3. IN THIS SITUATION ANY SC ACTION CONDEMNING ISRAEL AND KENYA BECOMES EFFORT TO EXONERATE TERRORISTS AND GOU. IF SC MEETING IS CALLED WE ARE CONSIDERING TAKING INITIATIVE WITH DRAFT RESOLUTION WHICH AFTER APPROPRIATE PRE-AMBULARS CONCLUDES WITH OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: "EVERY GOVERNMENT, REGARDLESS OF ITS POLITICAL VIEWS, HAS AN OBLIGATION TO PUT AN END TO ACTS OF TERRORISM."

4. IT WOULD BE OUR INTENTION TO SEEK EARLY SUPPORT FOR THIS COURSE OF ACTION WHICH IS DIRECTED AGAINST ALL STATES INCLUDING UGANDA, WHICH DO NOT ACT VIGOROUSLY TO PUT AN END TO TERRORIST ACTS OR THREATS WHEN THEY ARE ABLE TO DO SO. WE WILL BE DRAFTING APPROPRIATE RESOLUTION.

5. AT SAME TIME WE WOULD PLAN TO MAKE KNOWN IMMEDIATELY OUR UNEQUIVOCAL OPPOSITION TO ANY UNBALANCED RESOLUTION, ESPECIALLY ONE WHICH CONDEMNS ISRAEL AND/OR KENYA. IF WE DO SO QUICKLY, BEFORE ANY TEXT IS TABLED, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO RETAIN INITIATIVE.

6. LONDON AND PARIS SHOULD CONTACT FONMIN ASAP JULY 5 TO SET FORTH OUR STRONG VIEWS AND SEEK THEIR SUPPORT FOR PROCEDURE DESCRIBED PARA 5, EVEN TO EXTENT OF THREATENING VETO.

7. ALL ACTION ADDRESSEES SHOULD STRONGLY URGE HOST GOVERNMENT TO JOIN US IN MOVING RAPIDLY TO PREEMPT ACTIONS WITH RESOLUTION SUGGESTED PARA 4 IN EVENT SC CALLED INTO SESSION. REPLIES SHOULD BE REPEATED USUN.

8. FOR GEORGETOWN, COTONOU, PEKING, MOSCOW, TRIPOLI: WE SEE LITTLE POINT IN APPROACHING HOST GOVERNMENTS AT THIS POINT BUT WOULD WELCOME YOUR COMMENTS IMMEDIATE.

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